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intercourse with the men who daily colonies of Vancouver Island and New Cale, and hourly were setting at defiance donia (British Columbia)." A meterological

ROUTE FROM LAKE SUPERIOR.

opened up will terminate within 70 miles

of Rainy Lake, whence the navigation is

uninterrupted, except by a short portage

in Simcoe, Canada.

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The Overland Route.	Man (March)	Thermemeter Max Min Med			Rain	Snow		Rema	r
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that Mr Waddington's efforts to open an overland communication with Canada	May June	68	33 41	47 52	1.450 3.620		1.450 3.620		
have so far not been altogether upavail-	July	67 66	41 44 32 28 31	55	7 315 5,625	E Train	7.315 5.625		
ing. An active correspondence on the	October	51	32 28	49	10.735 10.010	0.045	10 800 10.055		
subject has, it appears, been carried on for some months with Canada through	December 1867	51	19	40 34	8. 05 4.030				
Dr Powell of this city, who has had the	January	90	2	28 27 35	4.515 3.475				
kindness to forward Mr Waddington's	March	45 51	18 28	35 40	5.150		5 430		
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Total | 66.255 7.410 7 .665 backed there by influential parties favorable to the undertaking. These gentle- It will be seen from the table that there men have taken up the matter warmly, is a considerable amount of rainfall, indeed and the moment being favorable, it has at along the whole of the coast from Metlakatha length been carried through, as will be be seen by the following paragraph received by this mail and communicated by Mr Waddington. It is taken from the winter may be said to commence at the end Norfolk Reformer of June 27th, published of September and last until the middle of April. Residents all concur in saying that the climate of Sitka is every year becoming milder, and that 8 or 9 years ago, where \$55,900 was appropriated by an order bor, now it barely freezes to a depth of more blocks of ice were dug out of the harin Council, on Saturday, from the Upper than 4 or 5 inches, and severe frost does not Canada Colonization Fund, for the open-last for more than three or four weeks at a ing of a road from Lake Superior to Red stretch. The Isothermal line of 41 cuts the flood wood in Savanne Rives, \$1,000; and one on the same parallel on the Atlantic, superintendencies and contingencies, will give the best idea of the nature of the \$4,000. The road and navigation thus climate.

at Francis, to the Lake of the Woods, about 90 miles from Fort Garry."

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be sufficiently appreciated by our popula- But although the climate is not so cold as tion, for with the 912 miles of road from in a similar latitude on the east coast, it is the Lake of the Woods to Fort Garry, yet too cold to admit of agricultural opera-

but we are of opinion that Mr Waddington, who is going to Canada and England for the special purpose of carrying out this splendid scheme, and who concludes an early better than the sneers of an ungrateful community.

La a fine cos, with considerable depth of water and well protected by the numerous islets in front forming a natural breakwater. Some of these no doubt will at a future day be the site of docks and wharves, and adapted for the sneers of an ungrateful community.

Lytton Richfield

Lytton Richfield grounds. The rise and fall of the tides also will conduce very materially to the future maritime importance of the place, the rise and fall of the tide being much more extensive than given on the chart, where it is stated at from 5 to 7 feet, but in reality ranges from 15 to 25 and sometimes as high as 31 feet. During Knrile have been regarded as subjects and

and hourly were setting at defiance the sworn officers of the Crown. We tremble for the future good order of the Colony if so weak and temporizing a man as Governor Seymour is destined to long remain at the head of its affairs.

The availant of the desiration of the males are selected and killed, opposite the town of Sitka, where observations have been carefully taken for many years. The results of last year furnish a pretty good general idea of the climate.

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In 1799 Sitka was made the capital, the first of the standing in at the bottom of the water.

The availant of the temales. A certain proposition of the males are selected and killed, for warmth were there a mine of wealth. A company was got up in Siberia which, in 1783, had Kodiak for its head-quarters, and the besides inhaling the steam. The explosion was caused by a defective plate in the bottom of one of the boilers, which was blown of New Archangel (Sitka), Temperature reduced from Reaumur to Fahronheit Scale.

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in failure but in disgrace. He had no business with compromising or arbitus. His duty was to entorce the law. That is what he was sent here is and no power to order a new trial; and, above all, he had no right to stop from her inga position to hold intercourse with the men who daily and hourly were setting at defaute of the stop from the inga position to hold.

and sewn together and made ready for the Governor of which was Barnoff, after whom market. They are then packed in large hogs- the island is named. No important change heads, being previously sprinkled with a took place up to 1821, the Russians occupystrong infusion of tobacco in rum to act as a ing undisputed possession of the coast north of 55, the English forming settlements in the The mineral resources it is impossible to country drained by the Fraser, while the estimate at present; very little of the coun-try has ever been explored, even two miles of the Columbia. In 1821, however, in conoutside the town of Sitka is quite as much a sequence it was stated of American and terra incognita as it was in the days of Cook other adventurers distributing arms, spirit or Vancouver, and indeed generally very cons liquors to the Indians and otherwise little more is known of even the coast line interfering in the monopoly of the trade, a since those times. Coal exists of an anthra- ukase was issued by the Emperor prohibiting cite nature in the Sitka Archipelago, but of foreigners from approaching within 100 miles such a shattered and slatey character as of the coast north of 51. This led to a long practically to be of no account, the geological formation being of a metamorphic character England, which terminated by a treaty with and Sillurian age. Silver has also been found America in 1824, and with England in 1825. within about five miles of Sitka, but I met no by which it was established "that the one who had ever seen the place, and heard line of demarcation upon the coast of it spoken of as a vague myth. Virgin the continent and islands of America to copper also has been wrought by the Indians the northwest should be drawn from the of the Sticken, some of them having copper southermost point of Prince of Wales Island crests formed by hammering out the metal in the latitude of 54 deg 40 min to the great crests formed by hammering out the metal in the latitude of 54 deg 40 min to the great into the form of a plate. For some years inlet in the continent called Portland Canal, past about a dozen men have eked out a wretched existence by washing on the bars of the Sticken for gold, but the precious metal has only been hitherto found within the British lines. The proper mining Mount St Elias and thence north in the schooler was found ashore in a small bay with a number of holes bored throughout the schooler was found ashore in a small bay with a number of holes bored throughout the schooler was found ashored in a small bay with a number of holes bored throughout the schooler was found ashored in a small bay with a number of holes bored throughout the school and spirits and sailed for Victoria; that after a few days they returned and responsible to the summit of the morntains bordering the money; that before the amount was paid the school and spirits and sailed for Victoria; season does not last more than four months course of the 141st meridian west from -winter begins in October and ends in April Greenwich to the Frozen Ocean, which line. ing of a road from Lake Superior to Red River settlement. The amount is to be expended as follows: Thunder Bay to Dog Lake, 25 miles, \$35,000; dams at the outlet of Dog Lake, \$6,000; Jourdan's Rapids to the depet on Savanne River, 11 miles, \$9,000; clearing out flood wood in Savanne Rives, \$1,000; and one on the same parallel on the Atlantic, but in the winter they go higher up the says the treaty, shall form the limit between river steamers about 150 miles, and as it pursuses a very winding course, about 100 miles Company's vessels going up the Sticken to of this are in the 30-mile strip belonging to erect a fort in the interior. This led to a Russian America. Nearly at the boundary line long litigation and was at last compromised a canyon of about 1/2 a mile in length occurs. by an agreement between the two companies The volume of water this river discharges by which it was agreed that the Hudson is considerable, as in passing about ten miles Bay Company were to have the monopoly of off from the mouth the sea was discolored, supplying the forts in Russian America with and the specific gravity of the water fell butter, flour, and other articles of produce from 1:026 to 1:014, and the temperature from their farms in Oregon, and also that 51 to 47°, the latter, no doubt, caused by the for the consideration of an annual payment melting of the snow. The country at the of 2000 land otter sktns the coast extendmouth consists of low islands, with wooded ing from the parallel of 54 deg 40 min scrubby pine, while behind rise masses of northward to Cape Spencer was leased to the srappean rock, bald, serrated and covered with the Lake of the Woods to Fort Garry, which the Red River Settlement have offered to contribute, and the portion of railroad guaranteed by the English Government, the line of communication on the other side of the continent between Fort Garry and Halifax will be completed. On this side Mr Waddington has undertaken the portion from Bute Inlet to the Mouth of Quesnelle, and it only remains to open the road from the Upper Fraser through the Yellow Head Pass, as proposed by Sir James Douglas, and that cover the plains to the bend of the North of the settlement of the solice of the settlement of the spring or lateness of the spring or lateness of the spring or lateness of the summer, the amount of heat necessary for the coldness of the spring or lateness of the summer, the amount of heat necessary for the coldness of the spring or lateness of the summer, the amount of heat necessary for the coldness of the spring or lateness of the summer, the amount of heat necessary for the coldness of the spring or lateness of the summer, the amount of heat necessary for the coldness of the summer, the amount of heat necessary for the extreme end of Queen Charlotte Island forms the northern limit of the zone of certain on this coast; whether from the coldness of the spring or lateness of the summer, the line of communication on this coast in the coldness of the spring or lateness of the summer, the amount of heat necessary for the coldness of the spring or lateness of the summer, the line of communication on this coast in the coldness of the spring or lateness of the summer, the line of communication on this coast in the coldness of the spring or lateness of the summer, the line of communication on this coast in the stock of the coldness of the spring or lateness of the summer, the line of communication on this coast in the coldness of the stock of the coldness of the summer, the line of communication of the coldness of the spring or lateness of the summer, the limit of the extreme end of the stock of the coldness of the summer, t

refit in, and possibly considerable mineral wealth may be disclosed. The country however, neither as regards climate nor soil is an agricultural one: and unless by that class commonly known 'as mountain men' is not likely to be much colonized. These men not likely to be much colonized. These men constituting a large element in all the rushes to new places, and leaving a country as it gets settled, roving restless spirits, the pioneers of new countries; always moving on, inured to toil and danger, content with few necessaries and scorning luxuries, who prefer the deep shadows of woods and rocks to the softer effect of cultivation and to whom

"The wolf's long how from Ownerskafe shows?"

"The wolf's long howl from O-unalaska's shore" is much more musical than village bells or railway whistles. The war has relieved many of those and to them in the capacity of hunters and trappers the occupation of the country will no doubt be left for many

ACCIDENT TO THE ALEXANDRA .- On Saturday afternoon, the Hudson Bay Company's sternwheel steamer Alexandra, on her way from New Westminster to Victoria' had a plate blown off one of her boilers, when off Ten Mile Point. The explosion was un-

escaped and drowned the fires. The steamer Isabel, Capt Stamp, got up steam and at once proceeded to the relief of the distressed vessel, reaching her at 10 o'clock. The Alexandra had drifted to the south-east of Zero Rock, some five miles north of the scene of the accident. She was towed into the harbor at two o'clock yesterday morning, and will be at once repaired. A most remarkable circumstance connected with the accident that is the boilers of the steamer were tested at New Westminster, on Satura day morning, and withstood a pressure of 110 pounds, while at the time of the explose sion there was a pressure of only 80 pounds.

A Bold Attempt—Swan and Johnson, the two young gentlemen who brought the beau-tiful little yacht Flyaway to this port some three months ago, have been arrested at San Francisco upon a charge of attempting to defraud a Marine Insurance Company. It is charged that they loaded a schooner with bottom, and that the alcohol and spirits were afterwards found stowed away ashore. The Flyaway is still lying in this harbor.

WHISKEY SELLING .- Juarez Demarts, a Mexican, was convicted Saturday of selling liquor to an Indian, and provided with board and lodging at colonial expense for the space of four months.

SPOKEN.-The bark Aid was thirty days ago, this side of Cape Horn, by an English ship that has since arrived in San Francisco, The Aid is due here any

MISTAKES-The compositor made us subtitute the name of Mr Pearkes for that of Mr Bishop as appearing for the prosecution in the dog-shooting case. We were also made to say that the defendant called witnesses, when the fact is none appeared on his

An Executive Council was held at New Westminster on Saturday to consider the state of the Grouse Creek affair. The result has not transpired. If the Councillors dared to do their duty there would be a "split" in that Cabinet.

THE Sir James Douglas, with the Govrnor, Capt Porcher, R. N., Hon W. A. G. Young, Surveyor General, and Postmaster General, returned on Saturday night from New Westminster. The Governor's party are all in good health.

THE BALL has been extracted by Dr Ash from Lanfester's shoulder, and he is now